

THE CHILDREN'S CORNER

THE LOST SISTER—PART II.

"What shall we do for a school?" was the all-absorbing question, and where will we find a teacher?

Some of the public-spirited men of influence and wealth by subscription secured enough money to erect a schoolhouse, which was soon in process of erection. Every man in the neighborhood seemed to consider himself a committee to procure a teacher.

On the day before school opened the teacher came to board with us. He and father talked over the subject of Fannie's studying Latin.

Are you anything of a phrenologist? No, I'm not, answered father bluntly. I don't believe anybody can tell me what kind of a mind I have by feeling the bumps and knots on my head.

What makes people most respected in society? What makes our neighborhood the most elevated in all this part of the state? You may scold as much as you please, but it don't alter the fact that learning increases people's respectability.

Father made some show to fight the matter further, but as I knew it would be, mother carried her point as usual, and it was decided that Fannie would study Latin.

It had never before entered my mind that Fannie was my superior in talent. Little, wee, shy, delicate thing that she was, mother had often said: "Poky," considering your ages, your little sister surpasses you.

I wish I could, too. I'm the oldest. What good will it do you? I want you to hurry through with school and teach. Then Fanny can go to school to you.

The suggestion of being a school teacher was a stinging taunt for a Southern girl and was always resented with defiance.

As Fannie and I walked to school on the first morning I watched her narrowly to see if she gave herself any airs, but the little thing walked demurely along in her green gingham sunbonnet and blue checked apron, keeping close by my side.

We entered the new white framed school house with great interest. My life had been so narrow that commonplace things seemed to me romantic.

The classes were arranged and I was engaged in study. When the class in Latin was called I looked up and there was my little sister in a large class of boys and girls twice her size, looking shy and half frightened, waiting to recite.

When I think of that nervous, frightened child for the first time in a schoolroom, with her thin, sunny hair parted and combed carefully, and with that pitifully timid look in her honest blue eyes, there

surges through my heart a wild regret, such a restless grief, such remorse.

Oh, could I but relieve that period—how I would shelter that tender, sensitive plant. It would be very happiness to lay the dear, timid little child in my arms and soothe her as I would my own darling baby.

TWO—CHILDREN'S CORNER

I was envious of my little sister. I cared nothing for others who studied Latin. I took no interest in any others but she, for whom I should be more concerned than anyone else. I was envious. My attention was turned to the recitation bench. There was Fannie amid a crowd of big boys and girls, a wee, nine-year-old child, and she was called on first. I wished she would fall, but she went right through the task forward and backward.

Every eye was turned on her, for the language was a novel revelation to Beechwood Seminary. The teacher gave her litera to decline backward, beginning at the ablativus plural. I expected her to fall, but she went right through. Then she was cross-questioned, going from singular to plural. She went through without balk or hesitation.

Very well, very well, said the teacher. Murmurs of applause went up all over the room. I don't sit in sullen silence. The class was excused and she came and sat down beside me, and looking up sweetly in my face said: We take the second declension, Poky. Shut up, I said snappishly, and turned my back upon her.

At her as she brought her face up close to mine and whispered: Poky, I've learned my lesson now. Won't you please let me have your slate and pencil? I'll draw your picture and make you a fine lady with a parasol. No, I won't. My slate has my sums on it. With a weary, tired look on her face, she said pleasantly: "Is algebra nice, Poky?" Mind your own business.

There was no relenting in my ill humor so long as I saw "Mordecai sitting in the king's gate." Noon came. We went out with our lunch and sat down in the shade to eat. I wish you could study Latin, Poky; it's fun, and it makes me hungry, she said, looking at the dinner I was laying out. I felt like shaking her dizzy, but I thought I'll punish her for throwing her Latin in my face. I said: Fannie, I'm older than you. I'll eat first. I remember the lunch today. How good it was. So I picked out the choice part and ate; then throwing the basket down, I ran off to join the girls at play, regardless of the look of entreaty the poor child gave me. It was the first time she was ever away from her mother's side.

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